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From: Direct Reporting Program Manager
To: Commander, Marine Corps Systems Command (COMMARCORSSYSCOM), 2033 Barnett Avenue, Suite 315, Quantico, VA 22134

Subj: REQUEST DESIGNATED APPROVING AUTHORITY (DAA) FOR THE ADVANCED AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT VEHICLE (AAAV)

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 5239.3
(b) MARCORORD 5239.1

1. The AAAV is an Acquisition Category ID (ACAT ID) program that has direct reporting requirements to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition (ASN RD&A). The Milestone Decision Authority (MDA), Mr. Aldridge, is located in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics) (USD AT&L).
2. Reference (a), para 8. e. (2), identifies the Commandant of the Marine Corps as responsible for ensuring that DAAs are identified and security services provided for U.S. Marine Corps (USMC) information systems. Reference (b), para 3. B. (B), assigns the COMMARCORSSYSCOM as principle DAA for all systems or applications acquired or developed under that command and for all applications or systems for which they are the functional sponsor or advocate.
3. The AAAV program has plans to obtain and load software developed at MARCORSSYSCOM from the following programs: the Intelligence Operations Server V1 (IOS V1), Intelligence Operations Server V2 (IOS V2), and Command and Control Personal Computer (C2PC). In addition, the AAAV program will also load software for the Advanced Field Artillery Tactical Data System (AFATDS) which MARCORSSYSCOM has under their program management for USMC users.
4. All of the C4I software, currently slated for rehosting in the AAAV, has had previous Information Assurance reviews performed by MARCORSSYSCOM and MARCORSSYSCOM continues to function as the DAA for the software applications. Because of MARCORSSYSCOM experience and expertise with these software applications, the AAAV program office requests that MARCORSSYSCOM function as the DAA for the AAAV program.
5. The office of Direct Reporting Program Manager, Advanced Amphibious Assault point of contact regarding this subject is Major Jim Wedge, USMC C4I Systems Engineering Lead, C4I Division, (703) 492-3393, wedgej@aaav.usmc.mil.


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